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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

> RE: Hackberry Zone, Reservoir D SOUTH MANCHESTER FIELD Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Quest Exploration, L.L.C. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir D, in the South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir D, in the South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this zone and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created.
 - 3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created.
- 4. To provide that any well drilled outside of the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir D, shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 5. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the Reservoir by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.
 - 6. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The Hackberry Zone, in the South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 768-H-2, effective January 11, 2005.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for <u>POSTING</u> of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of the South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and will cause the legal notice of the hearing to be <u>PUBLISHED</u> in a newspaper of general circulation published in the vicinity of the South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from David Comeaux at Leon E. Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505 (337)233-9839.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana, on February 20, 2006, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance.

The conference was opened with a discussion by Mr. David Comeaux, representing Quest Exploration, L.L.C., concerning the nature and purpose of the conference and the bases for the applicant's proposed unit.

Questions were asked and answered, but there were no counter plans presented. There was no opposition expressed at this conference.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof a plat outlining the proposed unit, the conference attendance list, and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished **ONLY** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said plat and the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, Quest Exploration, L.L.C., in the sum of \$755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely,

LEON E. COMEAUX & ASSIGNATES

David Comeaux

DC/cu Enclosures

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Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties

